

# SUPPLEMENT TO THE HERALD, SEPT. 17, '83.

## LATEST FROM THE ROGUE RIVER COUNTRY—A BATTLE WITH THE APPLEGATE INDIANS!!

We are indebted to Mr. Mendenhall, Or. Very Sergeant in Captain Bob Williams' Company, for the following particulars of the late fight. We received the same on Thursday evening last, per Crum, Rogers & Co.'s Express. Bob's company are picked men, and not surpassed by any in the United States, for that kind of service.

(Correspondence of the Herald.)  
JACKSONVILLE, Sept. 14, 1883.

**MENSA. EDITOR:** Having just returned from an expedition that set out to fight the Indians on Applegate, commanded by Capt. Bob Williams, Rifle Rangers, on Sept. 4th, I have thought proper to give you the details of the expedition.

Arriving on Applegate, we proceeded to obtain information relative to the whereabouts of the Indians. We scouted on the different creeks and tributaries emptying on the west side of Applegate, and on the morning of the 7th struck their trail and found signs crossing Applegate twelve or fourteen miles below the fort, at the junction of Jacksonville trail with Applegate. At noon we came upon the Indians, but they were so far up the mountain side, a strong brush, that it was impossible to attack them with success. However, in maneuvering and dispatching small parties in different directions, to keep concealed, we succeeded in capturing a prisoner in the evening who proved to be a chief, "Jim Taylor," notorious as a leader in many murders and depredations committed against our fellow citizens. The Indians were careful to keep on the mountain side, and on the morning of the 8th, finding impracticable to drive the enemy from their position with success, we concluded to take our prisoner to Holstead's ferry to obtain conclusive evidence of his implication in various murders, &c., perpetrated in that vicinity. On his trial he pointedly admitted his guilt, whereupon he was executed by a detail of six men, on Sept. 9th.

On the 10th, having heard of the Indians stealing four horses from a party of immigrants, we set out on a scout in search of them, but discovering no sign, we marched for Applegate, determined, if we could find or see the Indians, to attack them at all hazards.

On the 11th, our pack men, with the remainder of our party from Long's arrival, having the remainder of our provisions, (about one man's rations.) We then set out for the fort to replenish our rations and follow up the pursuit. However, having previously heard of a body of Indians a few miles above, in the brush, we concluded to drive them out of their position, as we marched on our way.

**THE FIGHT.**—About 3 1/2 or 4 p.m., yesterday, 13th, we came upon them—they flung upon us, concealed in the brush, (probably a sash.) Our men spread out as skirmishers, taking rifle behind trees, &c. After a pretty hot fire of thirty minutes one of our men, named Thomas Phillips, fell mortally wounded, being shot through the groin. Capt. Williams attempted to out-flank them with a party of ten men, but did not succeed from the density of the thicket, and the danger of being shot by his own men if he attempted to charge the thickest. The firing gradually ceased on the part of the enemy, at about an hour of sunset, but our men remained at their posts, firing at intervals where an Indian was seen, until dark, when the enemy ceased firing entirely. The captain called us

from our posts, placing pickets a considerable distance from our "caballeros" at the sea, to consult whether to charge them at daylight or march for the fort to obtain provisions—the latter was thought best, as the enemy had undoubtedly moved off from the fact of a cessation of firing.

Our wounded comrade being dead, we conveyed his body to the fort and there buried him with honors of war. Then, Phillips was a native of Chester county, Pa., Bennett Square Township.

The loss of the Indians, as near as could be ascertained, was twelve killed and wounded—probably much more, as the men were excellent shots and behaved with great coolness and decision.

Yours truly, WM. S. MENDENHALL.

Jacksonville, Sept. 12, 1883.

**EDITORS HERALD:** Knowing that everything pertaining to the Indian difficulties in this quarter will interest your readers, I thought in the absence of other employment, before leaving myself, I would drop you a few lines for old acquaintance sake.

Well, at last the treaty is made, and the Indians are to be paid \$60,000 for the land on this side of Rogue River, and \$15,000 of the same to be withheld and appropriated as an indemnification for some of the citizens of this Valley. This treaty, as you are probably aware, has in its present form been pending some four or five days; and as your readers know the particulars of this so-called Rogue River war as well as your humble servant, I shall not attempt to revive the past, for it is rather pleasing no flattery.

A treaty has been made; and that it was absolutely necessary under existing circumstances no one will attempt to deny. But the general policy pursued previous to this final consummation, is very unsatisfactory, and almost universally condemned.

After the last battle, in which Gen. Lane and Capt. Alden were wounded, the Indians were allowed an armistice of seven days, at the end of which time they were to come in and make peace. If they did not do so, they were threatened with the most dreadful consequences. Instead of their coming in at the time appointed, it was the twenty second or third day before a sufficient number of them could be prevailed upon to come in. But they have come, and have agreed to remain on the other side of the river, except when permitted to cross by the Indian Agent, who is to reside with them. The Indians' hand is still at large, and have thus far refused all overtures. They are still committing their depredations with impunity.

As yet but few prisoners have been brought in, and some \$200 in money. They have made no stipulations, however, for the surrender of any prisoners; and common justice cannot otherwise be satisfied for the murder of some of our most valuable citizens. Five hundred men lay idle and inactive for twelve or thirteen days after the armistice had expired; and it was for this reason that the volunteers of your own town and state, who destroyed our property, as also the Humboldt and Crescent City companies became dissatisfied, and asked or demanded their discharge.

They came to act, and not tamely to wait the convenience of a parcel of savages who had repeatedly violated their rights, broken their treaties, snatched our citizens and stole their property, and as just as our savages' necessity could be devised; and let those who wish to vindicate the Indian character, and more particularly the conduct of the Rogue River Indians

and their confederates, do so as much as they please, and find all the extenuation they can; but they should not close their eyes to the fact that the Indians have been for several months preparing for the fatal demonstration they have made.

Capt. Terry and company asked for and received their discharge before the ratification of the treaty. They left in high disgust, declaring their unanimous disapprobation of every thing.

The hospital is still crowded with the sick and wounded. Through the streets may be seen men carrying their arms in splints and bandages; while others seem to be materially assisted in locomotion by the use of crutches.

Two deaths in private families, from consumption, have transpired with an interval of only two days.

Today that the town is dull, money scarce and business nearly stagnant, is only to convey a feeble idea of its general appearance. Merchants, Farmers, Mechanicians and Miners have no better employment as yet, than to count the time as to who have suffered the most by the Rogue River war. In a day or two I leave for the coast, and hope to be with you again in the course of three or four weeks, and enjoy the rights and privileges of a Yreka citizen.

Truly yours, C.

## ELECTION RETURNS.

We have San Francisco papers up to the 10th inst. The returns thereof, so far as heard at that time render Bigler's election, by a small majority, almost certain. It would be folly for us to attempt to make up, from the party papers of either side, anything like an impartial statement of the result in the different counties.

## LATEST FROM THE SOUTH.

Last evening we received per Rhodes & Leach's Express, evening edition of the San Francisco and Sacramento papers of the 10th. There is nothing therein to alter, materially, the result of the election. They yet agree on Bigler's election by a small majority.

By the same hands, we received an extra issued from the office of the "Mountain Echo," informing us of a sad affair which transpired at Downsville, on Tuesday the 6th inst., which resulted in the death of a man named "Jack," who was killed by one Mertz—also, in the death of Mr. Thaddeus Parly, Esq., District Attorney, accidentally shot. Time and space forbids particulars.

## COMMERCIAL.

Business appears to be quite active, we notice pack trains leaving the stores of Menzies, Fox & Co., W. P. Wood, and others, for Humboldt and other mining places. Miners in every district appear to be lying in a good supply of provisions for the winter.

## WHOLESALE PRICE CURRENT.

YREKA, SEPT. 15, 1883.

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| Flour.....   | 25.00 |
| Wheat.....   | 25.00 |
| Barley.....  | 25.00 |
| Butter.....  | 25.00 |
| Sugar.....   | 25.00 |
| Coffee.....  | 25.00 |
| Tea.....     | 25.00 |
| Cocoa.....   | 25.00 |
| Rice.....    | 25.00 |
| Spices.....  | 25.00 |
| Lard.....    | 25.00 |
| Salt.....    | 25.00 |
| Whiskey..... | 25.00 |
| Brandy.....  | 25.00 |
| Candles..... | 25.00 |
| Soap.....    | 25.00 |
| Tobacco..... | 25.00 |
| Onion.....   | 25.00 |
| Turnip.....  | 25.00 |

## POSTSCRIPT.

### MORE INDIAN DEPREDACTIONS!!

Mr. Heard, who arrived in town last evening, informs us that a roan horse, with a white face, and white spots on each side of the body, caused by the saddle cinch—was found near the Willow branch—was found near this place, on Tuesday night last, shot with a yanger ball in the right hip, and a small ball hole through the head. Lying near the horse was a hickory shirt and the waist of a woman's dress, supposed to belong to a squaw.

Mr. Price, a miner on Cottonwood, had a mare stolen by the Indians on Wednesday evening last. Mr. Dewitt, of the Klamath Ferry, also had two horses stolen on the same night, one of which returned in the morning with an Indian saddle on. On Thursday the Indians were tracked up the Klamath about eight miles. It is supposed that these Indians are of Tippec's tribe.

Last night, many of the ladies and gentlemen of this place, met at the Yreka Hotel and had a quiet little collation party—Everything came off in good style, to the enjoyment and satisfaction of all present.

As we are compelled to omit publishing the prices current for Red Bluffs and Crescent City this week, for want of room—Trade is brisk at those places, and no material change in prices.

**MARRIED.**—August 4th, in the Church of the Ascension, Washington City, by the Rev. L. J. Gilie, Dr. R. B. Inceville, of Yreka, California, to Mary W., second daughter of John Hood, Esq., of the former place.

## NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

**MULES FOR SALE.**—The subscriber will sell at private sale, eight good pack mules, pack saddles, horse ropes, etc., all in good order. Said mules are of good size and in good light, having runted for the last five years on Main street.

Apply at Salts & Dunn's blacksmith shop, of Main street, opposite Mr. Hathaway—respectfully, JAMES DUFFY.

**SOLAMON SILVERSTEIN. SOLOMON COHEN.**

## Silverstein & Cohen.

THREE safe brick building on Miner st., two of which we occupy ourselves, and the other we rent.

A large stock of Ladies' Fall Dress Goods, and a large assortment of Men's Clothing.

The largest stock in Yreka, at reasonable prices. We also keep a large stock of clothing & provisions, &c., at our branch store in Humboldt city, for sale at reasonable prices. Call and see our stock.

Sept. 10, 1883.

## Storage! Storage!

GOODS stored, and sold on commission, at the lowest rates, by Geo. E. Smith, in his fire proof store on Main street, opposite Crum, Rogers & Co's Express Office. GEO. E. SMITH.

Yreka, Aug. 26, 1883.

## SHERIFF'S SALE.

BY VIRTUE of an execution issued out of the county court, county of Yreka, and you, to me directed, on final judgment by confession rendered in the said court, in favor of A. R. Axell, against William Martin & Co., for the sum of four hundred and eighty-six dollars and forty-six cents debt, and twenty-six dollars and seventy cents costs, I have levied upon and seized and will sell at public auction, to the highest bidder for cash, at Yreka, on Friday, the twenty-third day of September, A. D. 1883, between the hours of 9 A. M. and 5 P. M., all and singular the property of William Martin & Co., to-wit: a certain emerald mill property, to-wit: a certain emerald mill property, situated in the middle fork of Humboldt creek, known as the property of William Martin & Co., also the grounds with the appurtenances thereunto belonging.

CHAS. McDERMOTT, sheriff.

Per J. TAYLOR, deputy.

Dated August 31st, A. D. 1883.